



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : DAVID KRANTZ ET AL.
SERIAL NO. : 10/679,258
FILING DATE : October 7, 2003
FOR : MULTI-MARKER SCREENING PROTOCOL FOR FETAL
ABNORMALITIES
GROUP ART UNIT : 1631
EXAMINER : Lori CLOW

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Response to Office Action Under 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 2, 2006, Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time, extending the period of response up to and including July 3, 2006 (July 2nd being a Sunday). Applicants request reconsideration of the present application.